

**Remarks**

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 28, 2004, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group II (claims 8 through 14), drawn to a powered tonneau cover actuator. Applicant withdraws claims 1 through 7 from further consideration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.142(b), but Applicant specifically reserves the right to file a divisional application at a later date to reintroduce these claims.

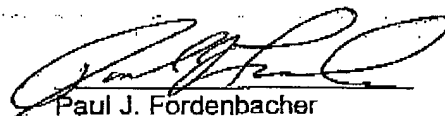
Applicant requests consideration of new claims 15 through 21 which are directed to the same invention as claims 8-14. No new matter has been introduced with the new claims.

**CONCLUSION**

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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